(c) Out of 350 Trainee Artisans recruited for the Coach Repair Workshop at Bhopal early in 1989, 117 gas affected victims were selected. Out of these, one person has left service, another one was medically unfit and the third one did not report. Thus 114 of these persons are at present working as Trainee Artisans.

15-point programme for the Welfare of the Minorities

*177. SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to make the 15-Point Programmes, for the welfare of the minorities, a target oriented programme with quantified results;

(b) whether the Prime Minister has assured in a TV interview on he 10th March, 1990 that the programme would be reviewed every month at the Cabinet level; if so whether a committee has been constituted for the purpose; and

(c) whether the compensation to the riot-affected victims have been raised from Rs. 20,000/- to Rs. 50,000/-; if so, how many States have accepted these instructions from the Prime Minister?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The revised guidelines on promotion of communal harmony, presently under final stages of formulation, *inter-alia*, would incorporate raising the amount of ex-gratia grant in case of death or permanent incapacitation from Rs. 20,000/- to Rs. 50,000/-, and also pension of Rs. 500/- p.m. to widows of riot victims in the low income groups. The revised guidelines would be issued to State Governments, which would take effect from 1st April, 1990.

Replacement of good dry dates in NCCF Bombay

*178. SHRI BHAGAT RAM MANHAR:

SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH:

Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the then Regional Manager (West) of NCCF had shifted 600 Mts. of imported dry dates from Nasik to New Bombay in September 1986;

(b) whether there were complaints that these stocks were stored in the cold storage which was keeping heavy quantities of a private firm, who allegedly replaced the goods of NCCF by inferior socks in collusion with the then Regional Manager (West) and his subordinate officers; and

(c) if so, what Departmental action Government have taken against the officers responsible for this irregulatory?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI NATHU RAM MIRDHA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) NCCF have reported that no such complaints have come to their notice.

(c) Does not arise.

Subsidy and financial assistance to Co-operative Housing Societies in Delhi

*179. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of registered cooperative housing societies in Delhi as on 31st December, 1989;

(b) the number of houses and flats constructed by these societies upto 31st December, 1989; and

(c) the amount of subsidy and financial assistance given by Government to these societies so far?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) 2,145.

(b) While no survey has been done to ascertain the number of houses actually constructed, the number of plots allotted to Co-operative House Building Societies was around 30,750. Co-operative Group Housing Societies were allotted land for approximately 73,000 flats, out of which construction of approx. 25,000 flats is reported to have been completed.

(c) No subsidy is given by the Government to Cooperative Group Housing Societies. A sum of Rs. 145.23 crores has been provided by the Delhi Cooperative Housing Finance Society Ltd. as loan to 218 societies.

Allocation of funds to Marathwada Railway Project

*180. SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what was the total allocation made so far on Marathwada Railway Project;

(b) the progress made so far and the reasons for delay in execution of the project;

(c) whether Government have taken any decision to sell debentures in the open market;

(d) what are the budget allocation on this on going project; and

(e) by when the project is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) The allocation made for the two gauge conversion projects in Marathwada region upto the current financial year is as under:—

(i) Manmad-Aurangabad-Parbhani-Parli Vaijnath—Rs. 31.36 crores.

(ii) Parbhani-Purna and Mudkhed-Adilabad conversion and Purna Mudkhed Parallel BG line—Rs. 0.20 crores.

(b) The progress made so far has been commensurate with the allocations made. The delay is due to constraint of resources.

(c) This is for the State Government to decide.

(d) An outlay of Rs. 14 crores and Rs. 9.5 crores respectively for the above two projects has been proposed in the Budget of 1990-91.

(e) Completion will depend on availability of resources.

Private Industries; Training Institute in Karnataka

@1240 SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are 117 private Industrial Training Institutes in Karnataka;

(b) whether these ITIs conform to standards of training;

(c) whether Government are providing aid to any of these ITIs; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) No, Sir. There are 137 private Industrial Training Institutes in Karnataka, as on 31-12-1989, as per information furnished by the Government of Karnataka

(b) Yes, Sir. 132 out of 137 ITIs conform to the standards of training and accordingly have been granted affiliation to the National Council for Vocational Training (NCVT). The remaining 5 ITIs have not come up to the standards, hence are yet to be affiliated to NCVT.

(c) No, Sir. The Government of India has not provided aid to any of these private ITIs, so far.

(d) The ITIs come under the purview of the State Governments and any proposal for aid to them is routed through the State Directors. So far no such proposal has come from Karnataka.

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